

THOUSANDS VOTE TO QUIT WORK

MANY WORKMEN READY TO STRIKE

Labor Organizations Meet to
Pass on Question of Joining
in General Strike.

UNIONS ARE TO APPROVE

Officials of Other Unions Are
Empowered to Call Out
the Members.

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—Labor organizations including about 100,000 workers met Monday to pass on the question of joining in the proposed general strike to take effect here Wednesday morning.

Ernest Boehm, secretary of the conference of labor leaders directing the movement, asserted that unions representing 179,500 workers already had voted to quit work.

In some instances it appeared that the strike movement had been approved by the executive committees or executive councils of the governing bodies of trades unions, but had not yet been passed upon by the local unions. In other cases the unions have empowered their officials to call them out.

TROOP WITHDRAWAL

From Mexico is Still Insisted
upon by the Mexican
Commissioners.

NEW LONDON, Sept. 25.—The members of the Mexican-American joint commission Monday began the fourth week of their investigation of border conditions in their effort to bring about an adjustment of international questions. The Mexican representatives were still insistent that their army is capable of maintaining peace in northern Mexico and that relations between the two countries would be greatly improved by the withdrawal of the American forces.

ARMED INSURGENTS

Numbering 30,000 Are in Complete Control of the
Island of Crete.

LONDON, Sept. 25.—Fully armed Cretan insurgents numbering 30,000 are in complete control of the island, according to a Reuters Athens despatch. Cananea, Heracleon and other coast towns are in their possession.

The Greek authorities have turned over all government buildings to the leaders of the separate movement. Only eleven members of King Constantine's Cretan guard remain loyal, the others being disbanded.

BASEBALL

Is Talked from the Pulpit of a
City Church by Ebbets
and Herzog.

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—Charles Ebbets, owner of the Brooklyn baseball team, and Charles Herzog, of the New York Nationals, talked baseball Sunday night from the pulpit of Grace Methodist Episcopal church. The theme of the service was baseball in its relation to humanity and Ebbets and Herzog were invited to address the congregation.

Mr. Ebbets' subject was "Clean Living is Necessary in Baseball." Mr. Herzog made remarks along the same line and also prophesied that his club would keep up its winning streak.

ATLANTIC CITY

Is Chosen as the New Meeting
Place of Mexican-American
Commissioners.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—Atlantic City was chosen Monday as the new meeting place of the Mexican-American commission now sitting at New London. The selection was made by Eliseo Arredondo, the Mexican ambassador designate, and Assistant Secretary Phillips of the state department and later the commissioners were notified that they could proceed to Atlantic City whenever they saw fit.

BELL'S REPORT

Of Villa's Attack is Confirmed
by Carranza Officers Who
Reach Juarez.

SAN ANTONIO, Sept. 25.—Carranza officers who have made their way to Juarez from Chihuahua City have confirmed the report of General George Bell, Jr., regarding Villa's Hidalgo day attack, according to a message Monday to General Funston from the commander of the El Paso district. These officers took part in the battle, General Bell reported.

JUDGE ROBINSON SPEAKS AT PICNIC

Republican Nominee is Warmly
Received in Jackson
County.

RIPLEY, Sept. 25.—Judge Ira E. Robinson, Republican candidate for governor, Sunday addressed an audience of over 1,500 people at a Sunday school picnic, held at the Pine Grove school house, in Roane county. The Grafton jurist was heard with great attention. His speech was non-political in character.

Saturday evening, Judge Robinson addressed a large audience at St. Charles, twenty miles back in the interior of Jackson county, and was received warmly. There is no doubt existing here that Jackson county will remain loyal to the Republican candidate.

Monday, Judge Robinson went to Arnoldsburg, and on Tuesday he will invade Gilmer county, speaking at Glenville. He is being received with enthusiasm everywhere.

LESTER TELLS

Tale to Jury about the Alleged
Election Fraud at War
Eagle in Mingo.

HUNTINGTON, Sept. 25.—Noah Lester, indicted with thirteen others in connection with the frauds in Mingo county during the 1914 congressional election, was the first witness called in the federal district court here Monday when the taking of testimony began.

Lester detailed an agreement which he said was made at the house of Tom Maynard, one of the accused men, the night before election, by which only eleven Democratic votes were to be allowed in the ballot box at War Eagle precinct. From Maynard's house, he said, he and a number of other men went to the polling place at 3 o'clock in the morning and organized the election board, telling the Democratic members when they arrived that the board had already organized. A number of his friends, he continued, were armed and they carried out their plan, placing eleven Democratic ballots in the box, casting the remainder of the full registered vote with straight Republican tickets, 147. Only sixty-five ballots were cast by legal voters, he said.

AMERICAN HELD

In Prison in Mexico Charged
with the Murder of a Car-
ranza Sergeant.

EL PASO, Sept. 25.—A Carranza sergeant of the El Valle, Chihuahua, garrison was shot and killed Friday night by an American trooper of the Fifth cavalry who is being held prisoner, according to a report brought to Columbus, N. M., Monday from field headquarters. The Carranza commander at El Valle refused to surrender the prisoner after General J. J. Pershing sent a messenger requesting his release. The American is said to be held incommunicado on a charge of murder.

MILK TRUST

Investigation in the City of Chi-
cago is Finished by Gov-
ernment Official.

CHICAGO, Sept. 25.—Investigation of charges that a "milk trust" existed in this section of the country was finished Monday by Carl Vrooman, assistant secretary of agriculture. Mr. Vrooman departed for Washington without making public any hint of his findings.

With Mr. Vrooman were several aids. The investigation included St. Louis, Des Moines, Elgin, Aurora and Chicago.

GOES TO BALTIMORE.

LONG BRANCH, N. J., Sept. 25.—President Wilson left here at 9 o'clock for Baltimore, where he was to discuss the railroad eight-hour law and other issues before the National Grain Dealers Association at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon. He will return tonight.

CHILTON HOLDS POW-WOWS.

United States Senator William E. Chilton, of Charleston, was a visitor here Monday. During his brief stay in the city he held several pow-wows with local Democrats concerning his chances for re-election and other campaign matters.

TAKEN HOME.

Clyde Ross, who had his adenoids and tonsils removed at St. Mary's hospital, has been taken home. His many friends wish him a speedy recovery.



WHAT NEXT?
The Wilson Administration is Now Figuring with the Bankers to Help Carranza

RUSSIAN TROOPS SEIZE HILL WEST OF FLORINA

Republican Committee Has Able Secretary



Charles G. Coffman, Secretary of Republican State Executive Committee.

The Republican party in West Virginia is fortunate this year in having as the secretary of its state executive committee a man of keen intellect and great executive ability in the person of Charles G. Coffman, of this city. Mr. Coffman, who is well known on the state committee, will go on the county, where he has spent all his life, knows political conditions in the state like a book, and no one doubts that he is the right man for the job.

As Joseph H. Gaines, chairman of the state committee, will go on the stump a great part of the time, much of the executive work around state headquarters will fall on the shoulders of Mr. Coffman. That he will fill Mr. Gaines' shoes with eminent success goes without saying.

Mr. Coffman is a native of Harrison county and comes from a family known throughout the state. He is a graduate of both Salem College and

Which Had Been Very Strongly
Fortified by the Bulgarian
Troops.

GERMANS THROW BOMBS

French in Official Statement
Say the Bombs Do Lit-
tle Damage.

PARIS, Sept. 25.—Russian troops on the western end of the Macedonian front took the offensive Sunday night. The war office announced Monday that they had captured Hill 916 west of Florina, which had been fortified strongly by the Bulgarians. A Bulgarian counter attack was checked by French and Russian artillery and bayonet.

French artillery fire caused an outbreak of flames in Dolran and French troops made progress on their left wing. On the Broda river Serbian troops reached the frontier and French infantry made a slight advance to the north of Florina.

BUT LITTLE DAMAGE DONE BY THE BOMBS

PARIS, Sept. 25.—The French official communication Monday afternoon, in its reference to aerial activity, reads:

"Enemy aeroplanes Sunday threw down about ten bombs in the region of Lunville. One woman was slightly wounded. The material damages were insignificant."

"During the day of Sunday an enemy aeroplane attacked by one of our machines was disabled and fell to the ground north of Miserey. Three other machines were seriously damaged and compelled to make landing."

"During the night of September 24-25, twelve French aviators threw down ninety-eight shells upon the village and the railroad station of Gulsard. During the same night seven French airmen threw down fifty bombs of 120 millimeters upon factories at Thionville and Rombach, as well as upon the railroad station of Audun-le-Roman. Following the bombardment of Rombach flames were seen to break out."

GERMANS REPULSED BY BRITISH FORCES

LONDON, Sept. 25.—South of the Ancre, says the British official statement issued Monday, "the enemy attacked one of our outposts near Courcellette, but was repulsed."

"We blew mines Sunday night north of Neuve Chapelle and north of Hulluch. Much damage was done to the enemy's works."

ATTACK IS MADE ON FRONT BY GERMANS

Paris, Sept. 25.—German troops made an attack on the Verdun front Sunday night near the Vanx-Chapire wood. The war office report of Monday says the attack failed. Inactivity prevailed.

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RAID STARTS GREAT FIRES

PRISONER IS ACCUSED OF BURGLARIES

Charles Johnston, a Carpenter,
is Jailed for Breaking into
Dwellings and Store.

Charles Johnston, a young carpenter who recently came here from Belington, is a prisoner in the county jail waiting a hearing before Magistrate Jackson V. Carter under charges of breaking into dwellings of Luther W. Elliott and Earl Stout and Mr. Elliott's general store on South Second street Sunday morning before daylight and stealing small sums of money. He was arrested at 9 o'clock Sunday morning in a house at Kelley Hill by Deputy Sheriff Laco Wolfe, who declared the man was drunk at the time had a bottle of whiskey in a pocket.

Sheriff Ross F. Stout's bloodhounds were taken to the scene of the burglaries Sunday morning but shortly afterward papers belonging to Johnston were found there and his arrest followed. A Barbour county hunting license made out in his name was found on a counter in the store. About \$6 was taken from Elliott's dwelling, \$8 from Stout's and a small sum of money from the store. Windows were rained to effect an entrance into the dwellings, but in the Elliott dwelling keys to the store were found and used. Johnston roomed at a dwelling between the two that were robbed and occasionally took meals at Elliott's.

In the City of London and the
English Midland Counties,
Berlin Says.

LONDON DENIES REPORT

British State That No Military
Plans of Importance Are
Damaged.

BERLIN, Sept. 25.—Extensive fires were observed to have been caused by the Zeppelin bombardment of London and the English midland counties on Saturday night. It was announced Monday in the official report of the air raid.

Two of the Zeppelins were lost as a result of anti-aircraft guns in London, the statement adds.

LONDON DENIES REPORT OF EXTENSIVE FIRES

LONDON, Sept. 25.—Regarding the German report on the Zeppelin raid, the official press bureau Monday stated:

"In addition to the fact that no places of military importance were damaged, this account is full of the usual misstatements."

TWENTY-SIX PERSONS KILLED IN THE RAID

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Sept. 25.—News of the Zeppelin raid on London was picked up at sea by wireless by the British steamer Norman Monarch, bound for Chile, and in port here early Monday for bunker coal. Captain Watson reported copying a message saying twenty-six persons were killed and 300 injured by the raiders.

BREAD FAMINE

In City of Vienna Owing to Dif-
ficulties Encountered in
Transportation.

ZURICH, Switzerland, Sept. 25.—Press despatches from Vienna say there has been a bread famine there for several days owing to transportation difficulties. An official decree has been issued forbidding hotels and restaurants of Vienna and lower Austria to supply bread to guests, who must bring their own.

WOUND FATAL

To Police Sergeant Received
While Rounding Up Gang
of Gun Toters.

CLEVELAND, Sept. 25.—Police Sergeant Henry Froelich died in a hospital here Monday from a revolver wound received Sunday night while rounding up a gang of gun toters. The man who shot him escaped. Another member of the gang was shot by Froelich. Police have placed a guard over Joseph Anastasia in a hospital here with a revolver wound as the man they believe Froelich shot. They have as yet been unable to find any trace of the officer's slayer.

PIONEER RESIDENT

Of the County Passes On at His
Home at Lost Creek Mon-
day Morning.

H. C. H. C. Atkinson, aged 89 years, a well known retired farmer and pioneer resident of the county died at 9:30 o'clock Monday morning at his home at Lost Creek following illness of diseases incident to old age. No funeral arrangements have been made yet.

Mr. Atkinson had been unable to do any work for several years but had not been seriously ill until Sunday when he began to grow weaker. He never showed any signs of getting better and he quietly passed away at the hour stated.

Surviving relatives of the deceased man are James and Oscar Atkinson, who reside at home, sons; Misses Iva and Ollie Atkinson, who reside at home, and Mrs. Minnie Heldreth, daughters.

"GUSS" WORD

If Such It May Be Called is
to Be Eliminated from the
Prayer Book.

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—Elimination of the word "damn" from the Episcopal prayerbook and the substitution of the word "condemn" is recommended by the commission of revision of the prayerbook in a report to be submitted at the triennial convention of the Protestant Episcopal church at St. Louis next month. It is proposed to change the disapproved word in parts of the Scripture when it is quoted in the liturgical services.

HONOR OF FLAG

Is Necessary, Says Nominee
Hughes, for United States
of America to Endure.

DAYTON, O., Sept. 25.—The United States, Charles E. Hughes Monday told an audience of Civil War veterans, will not endure unless each generation stands firmly for the dignity of American citizenship and the honor of the flag.

"What I most want to see in this country," Mr. Hughes said, "is to have our young men, our middle-aged men, all our men and our women too, fired with the patriotic spirit of '61.'"

Mr. Hughes' speech Monday evening will formerly open the Republican campaign in Ohio. Among other speakers on the program are Charles W. Fairbanks, Governor Willis, Myron T. Herrick and Senator Warren G. Harding.

BREACH OF PROMISE

Suit of Virginia Gain against
William Smith is on Trial in
the Circuit Court.

Trial of the breach of promise suit of Virginia Gain against William Smith for damage to the amount of \$5,000 is on in the circuit court.

A jury returned a verdict of \$500 for land and \$575 for coal in the suit of the Fairmont-Binghamton Railway Company against Dallis F. McIntyre and others, to condemn right of way for a railroad.

During trial of the suit of Cora M. Smith against Lucy McAndrews, trustee, for 2,000 for services as governess of grand children of the late Elizabeth Latstetter, the plaintiff asked to amend her bill of particulars and she was awarded a non-suit order.

In the condemnation proceedings of the Fairmont-Binghamton Railway Company against Nancy Tetric and others for a right of way for a railroad, the land owners failed to appear to sustain exceptions to the commissioners' report and an order was entered directing confirmation of the report.

NEW LOW RECORD

Is Established in the Waning
Epidemic of Infantile Par-
alysis in New York.

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—A new low record was established in the twenty-four hours ending at 10 a. m. Monday in the waning epidemic of infantile paralysis, according to a health department announcement. There were fourteen new cases and five deaths.

Sunday's figures, which were not made public until Monday, recorded fifteen new cases and six deaths.

GOES TO SALONIKI.

LONDON, Sept. 25.—A despatch to the Star from Athens says former Premier Venizelos of Greece has gone to Saloniki.